

ALEX M. DAMON S. A. OFFICER TO MAKE VISIT HERE

Bridgeport Members Fortunate
In Opportunity for
Meeting Him.

The local corps of the Salvation Army is announcing the approaching visit of one of the leading men of that organization in America, Lieut. Colonel Alex M. Damon, field secretary, of New York. Colonel Damon will visit Bridgeport, Sunday, Nov. 26, conducting services as follows:

Salvation Army hall, 30 Elm street at 3 p. m. Evangelistic service. Church of the Redeemer (Universalist) Fairfield avenue, above Broad street, at 7:30 p. m., lecture entitled "In Darkest America," illustrated by 120 colored views.

Colonel Damon is from Boston where he received his education. At an early age the Salvation Army began to influence his life, so that at the completion of his school course he offered himself for officership in that organization, whose policy in this country he has since helped to shape.

Colonel Damon's native vivacity, versatility and keen sympathy with the aims of the leader of the organization won for him rapid promotion, so that at the time of his taking the high rank of Lieut. Colonel he probably was the youngest man to hold that title in their world-wide organization. The colonel has held a large number and great variety of offices, in all of which he has demonstrated a high degree of efficiency. In private and general secretarial positions, he early made himself invaluable to his superior officers, aiming always not at rank but at helpfulness.

Within the last 10 years the colonel has occupied several offices of great responsibility, notably that of general secretary to a large province in the west with headquarters at Chicago, and commanding officer of the Atlantic Coast province with headquarters at Philadelphia. In both these territories he was most successful and active in the relief measures which he adopted for helping the poor. Since his promotion to the field secretarialship of all the territory east of the Mississippi, in which office he is in special and responsible relations with the entire work of the Army, he has developed a system and method by which his great mass of work is handled effectively and expeditiously.

Colonel Damon is a devotee of system and method. He has written several strong articles on the simplification of office methods for popular magazines treating on such subjects.

An eminent writer, in speaking of the colonel said, "Colonel Damon spent half of his life in a business college and worked his way up to the presidency of same he could not be more imbued with the value of method."

As an organizer and administrator, and as a business man, Colonel Damon has few equals in the officer corps of the Army. And his presence at the several administrative boards of the national headquarters of the Army is counted most valuable.

Colonel Damon has spent many years on the public platform, developing in that period a high degree of effectiveness as a public speaker. Thoughtful, versatile and fluent, the colonel is in demand. His lecture trips such as that which brings him to Bridgeport are thrust into an already extremely busy life. He has delivered his now deservedly famous lecture, "In Darkest America," in hundreds of cities of the country, everywhere receiving most flattering press notice.

It is rarely that the local corps of the Salvation Army is favored with the presence of so high an official as the present visitor.

Adjutant E. J. Perrett, who has charge of the local corps, wishes to state that all seats will be free both at the hall and church services.

THE THIMBLE

The first reference to a thimble found in English literature is under date of Nov. 24, 1595, when that useful article was referred to as a "thumb-shell." From the description given it is inferred that the article was very much like the thimbles in use to-day, except that it was worn on the thumb. This clumsy way of utilizing it was soon changed, but the name remained the same, although corrupted in the course of years to "thimble." The man who introduced thimbles in England was John Lofting, a mechanic and metal worker of Holland, who settled in England in the latter part of the seventeenth century and practiced the manufacture in various metals with great success. Indeed, he founded a fortune which has been increased and distributed among several wealthy families of England to-day. The thimble was the basis of his success, for it came into general use and after the first samples were placed on the market. Lofting was not the inventor of the thimble, however, for articles of this kind have been found in the ruins of Herculaneum.

BURNS, OUTFIELDER OF GIANTS, CAME FROM UTICA TO BIG SHOW

There have been and are a number of members of the Burns family represented in major league baseball, but perhaps the most distinguished of the clan is George Burns, the outfielder of the Giants. George was born in Utica 26 years ago to-day, Nov. 24, 1890, and he made his professional debut in his home city in 1909. Burns was a catcher in his younger days, and worked behind the bat for Utica until 1910, when an injury put him out of the game temporarily.

George's substitute took advantage of the occasion to put up such a nifty game that Burns was relegated to the bench. Then one of the Utica outfielders busted a leg, and George was sent out to fill the gap. In a little while he was one of the star outfielders of the New York State league, and in the fall of 1911 he joined the Giants. McGraw didn't make him a regular until 1913, and since then, though handicapped by

ANNIVERSARIES OF RING BATTLES

Charles Watson Mitchell, the old English boxer, who was one of the cleverest and best light heavyweights the game has ever had, was born in Birmingham, Eng., 55 years ago to-day. Charlie Mitchell, as he was

known to ring followers, fought a 39-round draw in France with John L. Sullivan in '88, and defeated many good heavyweights, although he was only 5 feet 9 inches in height, and weighed only about 160 pounds at his fighting best. Mitchell never held a championship, although for years he was beyond doubt the best man in England, and called himself, not without reason, the "boxing champion" of Great Britain. Charlie has been reported dead or dying several times in the last few years, but he paid a brief visit to America last

summer and personally gave the lie to such rumors. He admits that he has been in poor health, and looks older than he is. He isn't physically fit to serve as a soldier, but he has done good work in recruiting. Mitchell says England has only one really great boxer now, and that is Jimmy Wilde, the "Mighty Atom," whom he describes as one of "the wonders of the world."

Dr. Percival Lowell, astronomer, who died recently, left an estate valued at \$1,000,000.

Lord Mayor's Fund Thanks American Consul at Tiflis

London, Nov. 24.—The Lord Mayor's Fund at its last meeting passed a vote of thanks to Willoughby Smith, the United States Consul at Tiflis, for the great work he did in helping them, and other kindred organizations, to alleviate the distress of the Armenian refugees.

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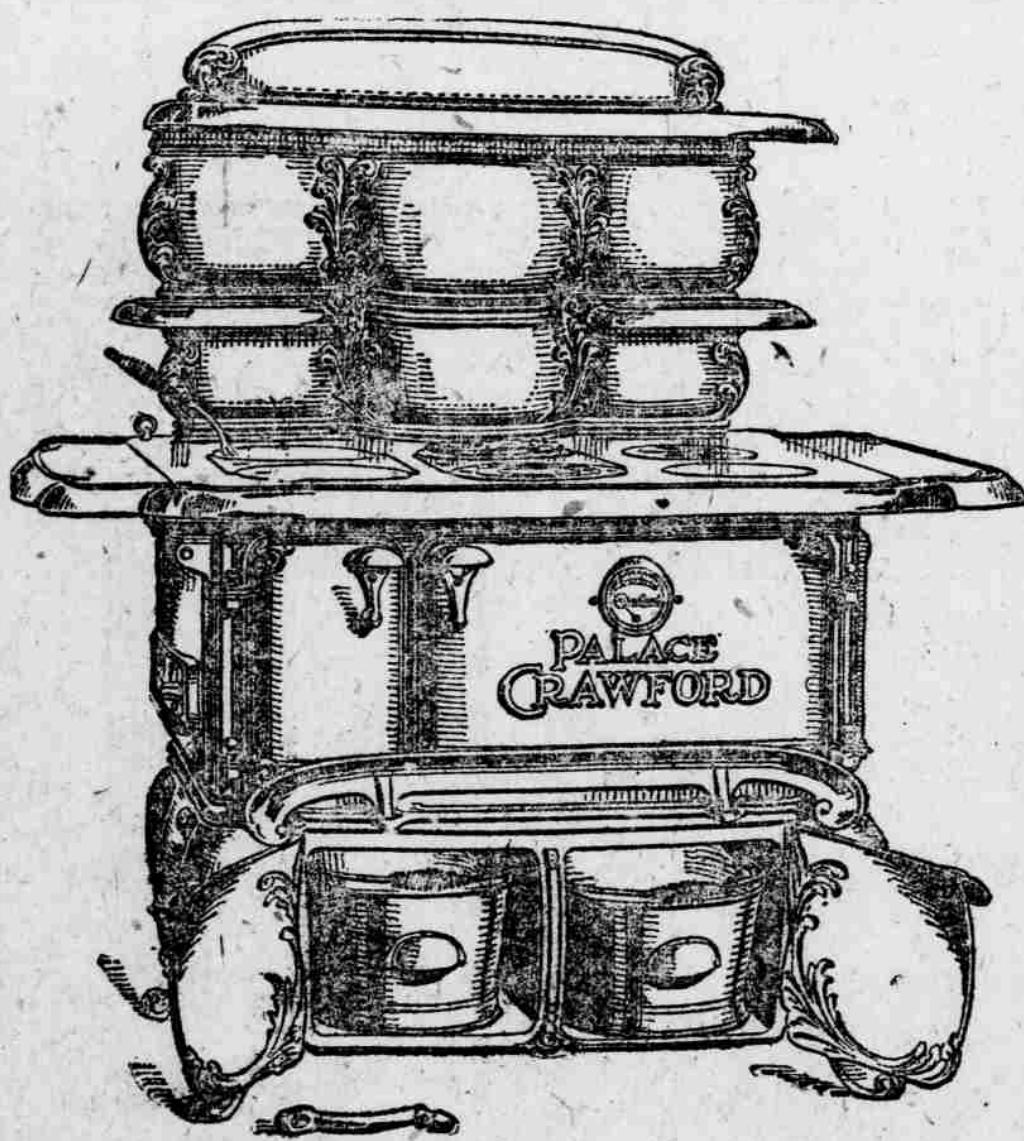
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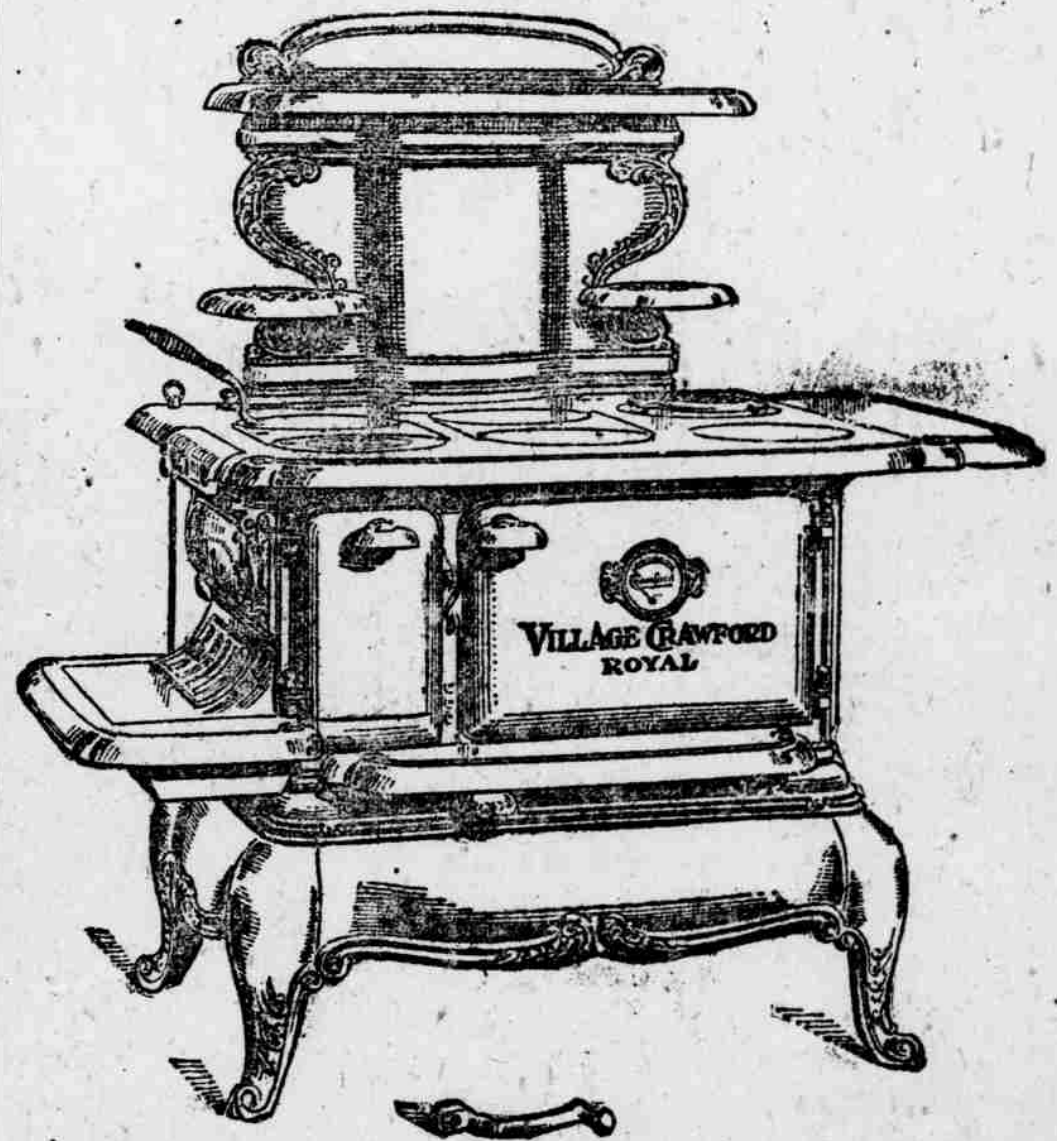


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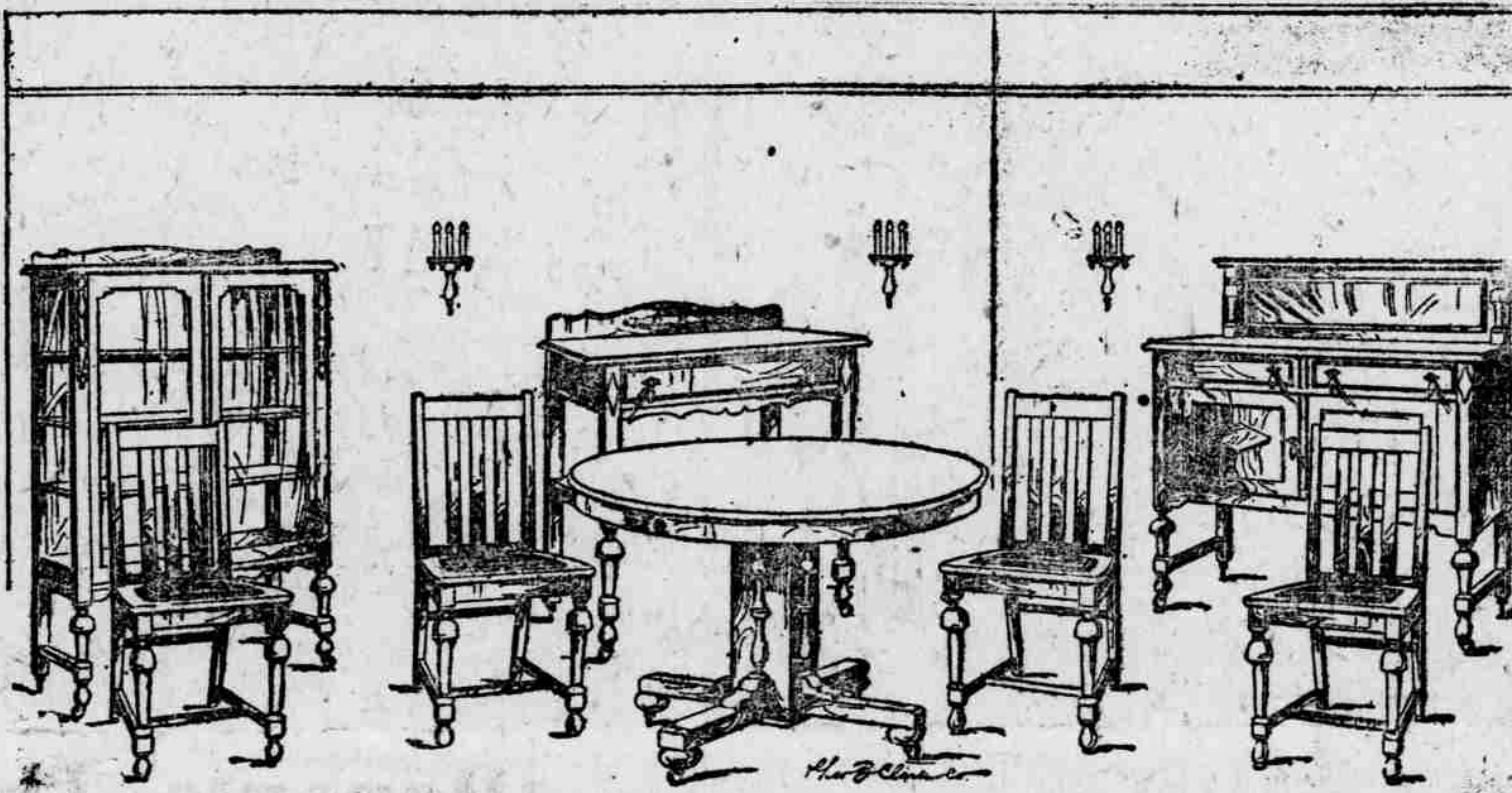
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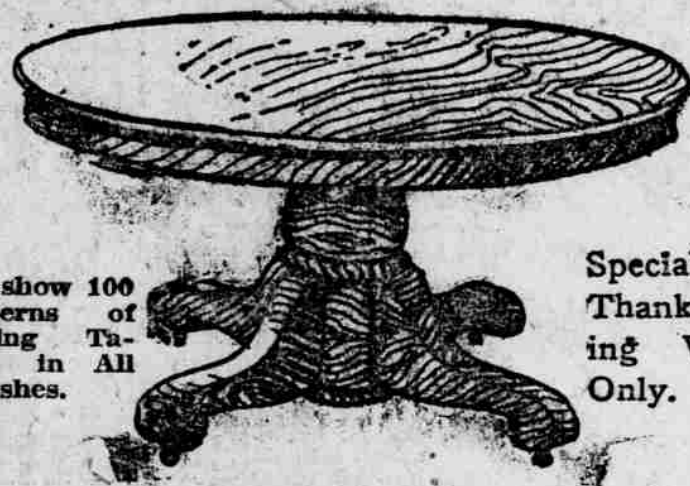
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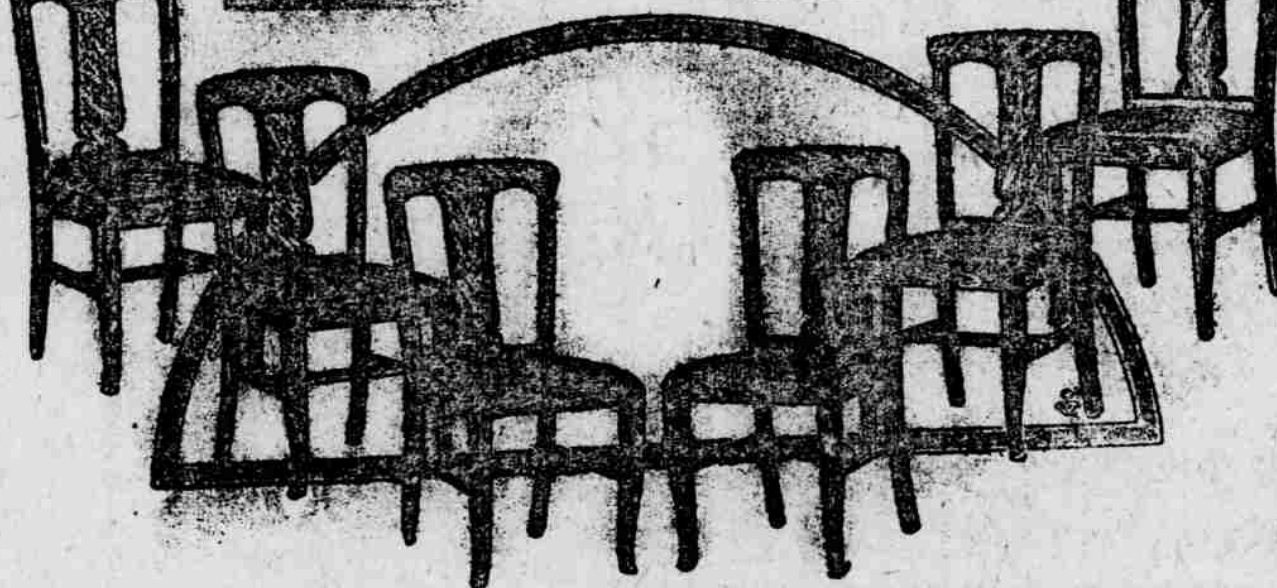


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